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Amendments to the Specification

Please Replace the paragraph on page 1, beginning on line 4 with the following:

The present ~~system~~invention is directed to the field of wireless networking, particularly as applied to different types of wireless networks having different implementation objectives. In a typical local area network (LAN), it is necessary for users to make a "hardware" network connection in which a client device (e.g. a personal computer system) is connected to a wire, which in turn is plugged into a socket for accessing a wired network. However, in using a wired LAN connection, a client device must be operated from a fixed position. This may be acceptable when using a stationary desktop terminal. However, if a laptop or handheld computer is used, it is necessary for the user to disconnect from the network when moving from place to place. Also, it cannot be assumed that a new location will have a network socket for reconnecting. This can be a significant limitation in environments where it is important for a user to maintain a constant network connection.